## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 (currently amended). A writing instrument comprising:

a substantially sleeve-shaped shaft (20), <a href="https://having.control">having.control</a> a main axis (100), a terminal control part (50, 35, 20b) at a rear end portion of said shaft, and a substantially conical tip device (10) at a front end portion of said shaft (20), wherein said tip device (10) is variably inclinable <a href="tiltable">tiltable</a> to an inclination <a href="mailto:angle">angle</a>, by at least one of <a href="wherein">wherein</a> said tip device (10) <a href="mailto:is">is</a> being adapted to be controlled (40,43,9) so as to be <a href="mailto:in an angular">in an angular</a> <a href="mailto:position there">position there</a>, <a href="mailto:and">and</a> pivotably inclinable in a pivot plane comprising said main axis (100) and relative to said sleeve-shaped shaft (20), and, an <a href="wherein the">wherein the</a> inclination angle (ÿ) of a cone axis (101) of said tip device (10) being adjustable (40, 43, 9) <a href="mailto:is variable">is variable</a> in relation to said main axis (100) <a href="mailto:of the shaft and the terminal control part controls">of the shaft and the terminal control part controls</a> <a href="mailto:the angular position of the tip device">the angular position of the tip device</a>; and,

wherein a leaf shaped spring (17) is provided at a backwards facing end portion of said tip device (10), said <u>leaf</u> spring extending into an inside of said <u>sleeve shaped</u> shaft (20), for <u>and</u> contacting an inner <u>surface of a</u> wall of said <u>sleeve shaped</u> shaft and for effecting a resetting force <u>on said tip device</u>, upon an <u>a controlled</u> increase of said inclination angle of said tip device (10), <u>said force</u> increasing when said control <u>part</u> increases the pivot action <u>angular position</u> of the tip device.

2 (currently amended). The writing instrument according to claim 1, wherein said inclination <u>angle</u> (ÿ) of the tip device is changed from the terminal <u>control</u> part (50, 35, 20b), providing a longitudinal movement of one of an ink device and a refilling device (40) received in said <u>sleeve shaped</u> shaft, said movement being effected in a longitudinal direction (x) and relative to a bearing (23; 13; 14; L) structure between said tip device (10) and <u>along</u> said shaft (20).

Claims 3 through 35 are canceled.